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SUBJECT: GECAMINES PRODUCTION IN 1976 AND PREDICTIONS FOR 1977

REF: A) LUBUMBASHI A-57 DTD 12/30/76; B) LUBUMBASHI 018

1. FOLLOWING IS BREAKDOWN OF PRODUCTION STATISTICS FOR 1976
AND PROJECTIONS FOR 1977 PROVIDED BY GECAMINES OFFICIAL (ALL
FIGURES IN LONG TONS);

	1976	1977
COPPER - PRODUCTION OF NEW METAL	424,522	476,100
COPPER - WIRE BARS	66,085	102,700
COPPER EXPORTS	413,415	466,600
COPPER MINE PRODUCTIONS	407,704	466,200
COBALT - PRODUCTION OF NEW METAL	11,019	14,200
COBALT - GRANULES	2,208	3,500

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COBALT - EXPORT	12,355	13,500
COBALT - MINE PRODUCTION	10,686	13,600
ZINC - MINE PRODUCTION	60,622	62,800
ZINC EXPORTS	70,037	61,600
CADMIUM BAR PRODUCTION	252	240

2. GECAMINES DEFINES "MINE PRODUCTION" AND THE PURE COPPER

CONTENT AFTER REFINING, AT GECAMINES OR OVERSEAS, OF ITS PRODUCTION OF BLACK, BLISTER, CATHODE AND WIRE BAR COPPER. THIS FIGURE IS NECESSARILY LOWER THAN "PRODUCTION OF NEW METAL", WHICH REFERS TO GECAMINES TOTAL OUTPUT OF METALURGICALLY TREATED COPPER WITHOUT REGARD TO PURITY. THIS DISTINCTION BETWEEN "PRODUCTION OF NEW METAL" AND "MINE PRODUCTION" ACCOUNTS FOR DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ESTIMATE OF 425,000 TONS FOR 1976 GIVEN BY GECAMINES OFFICIALS IN LATE DECEMBER (REF A) AND OFFICIAL YEAR END FIGURE OF 407,704 (REF B). FORMER FIGURE REFERRED TO "PRODUCTION OF NEW METAL", LATTER FIGURE REFERRED TO "MINE PRODUCTION". IT SHOULD BE NOTED THAT "MINE PRODUCTION" FIGURE (407,704 TONS) IS OFFICIAL GECAMINES PRODUCTION FIGURE, COMPARABLE TO 1975 FIGURE OF 463,448 TONS.

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